

## House Resolution No. 210

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome with pleasure the opportunity to recognize a remarkable Missouri citizen whose efforts and accomplishments have made her a source of inspiration to all those around her; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Peggy Pearl, Consumer and Family Studies Professor at Southwest Missouri State University, is to be commended for her work with Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families; and

**Whereas**, widely recognized as a child abuse expert, Dr. Pearl had endeavored to improve coordination, communication, and understanding of issues among those concerned with the well-being of Missouri's children; and

**Whereas**, since 1981, Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families has been influencing the lives of Missouri's children, youth, and families, as well as serving as an education resource for policy makers; and

**Whereas**, Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families is a statewide network of community based organizations assuring that public policies bearing on children and families work for them not against them; and

**Whereas**, Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families has highlighted issues before the legislature and initiated policy changes in the areas of juvenile court, the foster care system, and educational reform focusing on the importance of the early years of childhood learning; and

**Whereas**, other changes also include the creation of the Head Start program and provisions for mental health service to children, including removing the need for children to go into foster care in order to receive mental health services; and

**Whereas**, Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families will be celebrating the Twenty-third Annual Child Advocacy Day on January 25, 2005, in the capitol rotunda in Jefferson City, Missouri:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing deep gratitude to Dr. Peggy Pearl for the superb service she has rendered to Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families and in wishing her continued happiness and fulfillment in all future endeavors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. Peggy Pearl.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Sara Lampe  
District No. 138

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 210, adopted January 24, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker